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ABSTRACT

This text examines historical trends affecting the evolution of vocational education (VE). It is designed especially for use in teacher education programs of VE and for undergraduate and graduate courses in history, philosophy, and foundations of VE. Chapter 1 introduces VE's early beginnings in America. Chapter 2 presents an overview of leaders influencing VE curriculum development. Chapter 3 describes the impact of land- grant institutions on professional growth of VE. Chapter 4 discusses selected factors that influenced VE development. Chapter 5 is organized around the legislative history of VE. Chapter 6 addresses historical work roles of women in VE, legislative breakthroughs affecting women, and problems associated with sex equity. Chapter 7 examines the historical relationship between ethnic groups and VE and participation of special needs populations in VE. Chapter 8 addresses vocational instructional programs and VE teachers. Chapter 9 provides an overview of vocational student organizations. Chapter 10 introduces the effectiveness of school-to-work. Chapter 11 describes the aging workforce. Chapter 12 focuses on the globalization of career and technical education. Each chapter concludes with a summary, discussion questions, and activities to enhance the learning experience and provide further opportunities for research, recommended educational video(s), and references. Appendixes include a glossary and index. (YLB)

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